

## 1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives wish to express their sincere condolences to  
4 the family and friends of former State Representative Clyde  
5 W. Robbins of rural Fairfield, who passed away on July 20,  
6 2001; and

7 WHEREAS, Clyde W. Robbins was born in Akron, Ohio on June  
8 7, 1926 to Clancy and Iris Hilliard Robbins; he married Grace  
9 Heller on January 1, 1948; and

10 WHEREAS, Clyde W. Robbins served as a member of the  
11 Illinois House of Representatives from 1979 through 1982; he  
12 diligently worked for the farmers and farm communities; he  
13 sponsored legislation such as the Grain Elevator Bill and the  
14 Soil Erosion Funding Bill and worked to repeal the sales tax  
15 on farm machinery and the inheritance tax; and

16 WHEREAS, Mr. Robbins was also known for his concern for  
17 others; he began providing both healthy and sweet snacks  
18 after a particularly long night of session when one of his  
19 diabetic colleagues became ill from not having ample food  
20 necessary for his diet; from that time on, he stocked a  
21 mini-buffet in the area around his desk that became known as  
22 "Clyde's Deli"; and

23 WHEREAS, He farmed extensively for many years, and after  
24 serving in the House of Representatives he served as  
25 administrative assistant for the Southern Illinois Region for  
26 the Illinois Secretary of State, retiring in 1995; and

27 WHEREAS, He was the county chairman of the Wayne County  
28 Republican Party for several years and he also served as  
29 precinct committeeman for Jasper Township; and

30 WHEREAS, Mr. Robbins was also very active in many civic  
31 organizations in his community; he was a school board member,

1 taught Sunday school at North Side Baptist Church, and began  
2 the church's youth basketball program; and

3 WHEREAS, Clyde W. Robbins leaves to cherish his memory  
4 his wife, Grace; his children, Mrs. Karen (Melvin) Lane, Mrs.  
5 Barbara (Andrew) Fuchs, Mrs. Nancy (Mike) Rister, Bill (Pam)  
6 Robbins, Mrs. Linda (Rick) States, Mrs. Lisa (Paul) Fearn,  
7 and Mrs. Stacy (Larry) Smith; 16 grandchildren; 9  
8 great-grandchildren; his sister, Janice Elliott; his  
9 sister-in-law, Marjorie Robbins; and a number of nieces and  
10 nephews; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
12 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
13 we mourn, along with all who knew him, the death of our  
14 former colleague Clyde W. Robbins; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
16 presented to the family of Clyde W. Robbins with our sincere  
17 condolences.